

# STATE OF WISCONSIN Division of Hearings and Appeals

In the Matter of

DECISION

HMO/142234

# **PRELIMINARY RECITALS**

Pursuant to a petition filed July 6, 2012, under Wis. Stat. § 49.45(5)(a), and Wis. Admin. Code § HA 3.03, to review a decision by the Division of Health Care Access and Accountability in regard to Medical Assistance, a hearing was held on August 21, 2012, at Racine, Wisconsin.

The issue for determination is whether petitioner's appeal is moot.

There appeared at that time and place the following persons:

PARTIES IN INTEREST:

Petitioner: Appearing with petitioner:



Attorney Peter Ludwig

# Respondent:

Department of Health Services 1 West Wilson Street, Room 651 Madison, Wisconsin 53703

By: Lucy Miller, RN, Consultant
Division of Health Care Access And Accountability
1 West Wilson Street
Madison, WI

#### ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE:

Michael A. Greene

Division of Hearings and Appeals

# **FINDINGS OF FACT**

- 1. Petitioner (CARES # is a resident of Racine County.
- 2. Petitioner was covered by Medical Assistance when she went to Mayo Clinic for an evaluation of her condition. MA declined to pay the charges alleging that proper referral procedure had not been followed.

3. MA has since paid the charges from Mayo Clinic in full.

# **DISCUSSION**

Petitioner filed this appeal seeking payment of charges for an evaluation of her condition at Mayo Clinic. Following the hearing, petitioner was notified that all of the charges had been paid. There being no further issue to be resolved, and there being no relief that can be ordered by this administrative law judge, this appeal is being dismissed as moot.

### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

Petitioner's appeal is moot.

### THEREFORE, it is

#### **ORDERED**

That the petition for review herein be and hereby is dismissed as moot.

# REQUEST FOR A REHEARING

This is a final administrative decision. If you think this decision is based on a serious mistake in the facts or the law, you may request a rehearing. You may also ask for a rehearing if you have found new evidence which would change the decision. Your request must explain what mistake the Administrative Law Judge made and why it is important or you must describe your new evidence and tell why you did not have it at your first hearing. If you do not explain these things, your request will have to be denied.

To ask for a rehearing, send a written request to the Division of Hearings and Appeals, P.O. Box 7875, Madison, WI 53707-7875. Send a copy of your request to the other people named in this decision as "PARTIES IN INTEREST." Your request for a rehearing must be received no later than 20 days after the date of the decision. Late requests cannot be granted.

The process for asking for a rehearing is in Wis. Stat. § 227.49. A copy of the statutes can be found at your local library or courthouse.

#### APPEAL TO COURT

You may also appeal this decision to Circuit Court in the county where you live. Appeals must be filed with the appropriate court no more than 30 days after the date of this hearing decision (or 30 days after a denial of rehearing, if you ask for one).

For purposes of appeal to circuit court, the Respondent in this matter is the Department of Health Services. After filing the appeal with the appropriate court, it must be served on the Secretary of that Department, either personally or by certified mail. The address of the Department is: 1 West Wilson Street, Room 651, Madison, Wisconsin 53703. A copy should also be sent to the Division of Hearings and Appeals, 5005 University Avenue, Suite 201, Madison, WI 53705-5400.

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The appeal must also be served on the other "PARTIES IN INTEREST" named in this decision. The process for appeals to the Circuit Court is in Wis. Stat. §§ 227.52 and 227.53.

Given under my hand at the City of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, this 1st day of October, 2012

Michael A. Greene Administrative Law Judge Division of Hearings and Appeals

c: Division of Health Care Access And Accountability - email Department of Health Services - email



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The preceding decision was sent to the following parties on October 1, 2012.

Division of Health Care Access And Accountability